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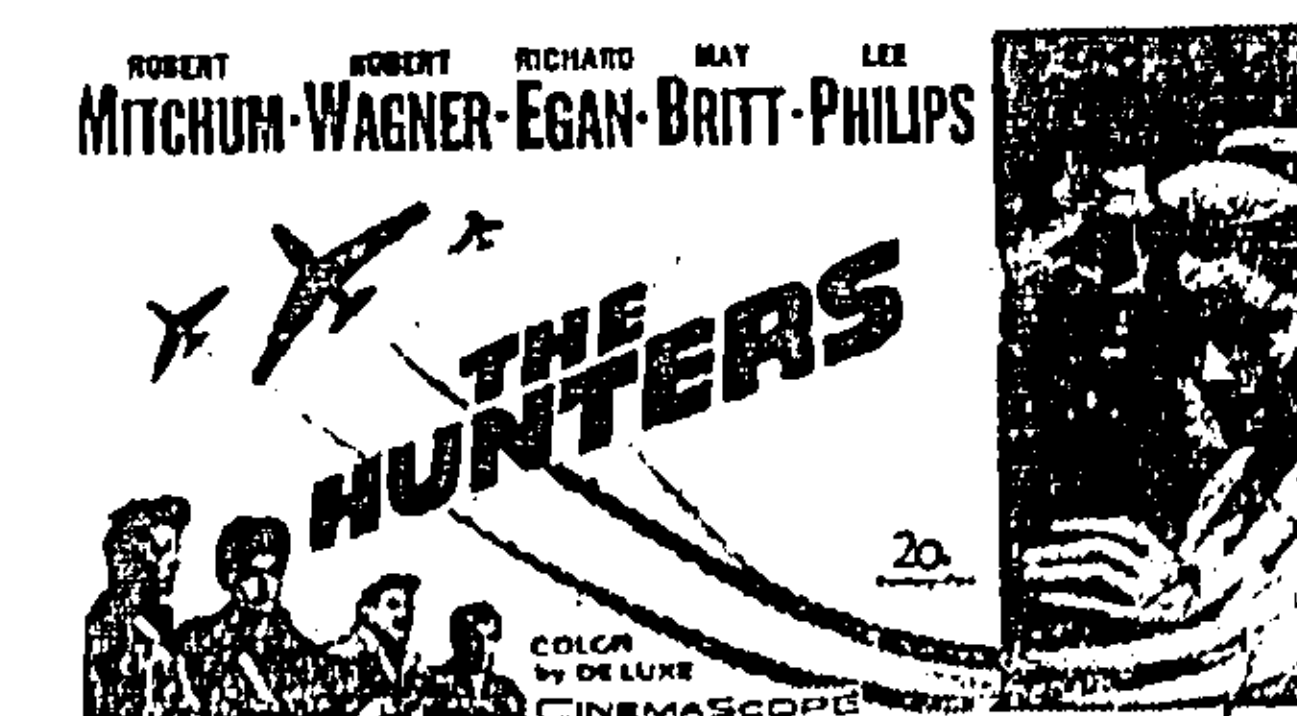
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**No Public Colour Bar****Opinion Poll  
In UK  
Shows Demand  
For Law**

London, Dec. 10.

By a slight majority the British people feel there should be a law to prevent use of the colour bar in public places.

**Philip Will  
Be Nehru's  
House Guest**

New Delhi, Dec. 10.  
The Duke of Edinburgh will be Prime Minister Mr. Nehru's house guest for part of his visit to India next month, according to authoritative sources.

The duke, who arrives by a Comet 4 jet airliner on Jan. 21 for the Indian Science Congress, will stay at Rashtrapati Bhavan, residence of President Rajendra Prasad, which was the seat of British viceroys.

He will move to Mr. Nehru's house for one or two nights to allow the two men an opportunity for informal talks.

On Jan. 26, he will attend a Republic Day parade which is the main item of India's biggest national festival.

The lighter side of his visit included watching polo in Delhi and going duck-shooting at Bharatpur, where in 1938 viceroy Lord Linlithgow and his party bagged 4,273 birds in one day.—China Mail Special.

**Famed Chinese  
Surgeon Now  
U.S. Citizen**

Buffalo, Dec. 10.  
Dr. Thomas L. Dao, 37, prominent cancer surgeon and researcher at Roswell Park Memorial Institute here, became a citizen of the United States yesterday.

Dr. Dao, a native of China, was among 62 persons naturalised in Federal Court. Born in Soochow, Dr. Dao earned his bachelors degree at Soochow University and his masters degree at St. John's Shanghai.

He left Shanghai for the United States in 1949.—U.P.I.

**BALLOON'S BID  
TO CROSS  
THE ATLANTIC**

London, Dec. 10.  
Four Britons at the Canary Islands were today set ready to try to cross the Atlantic in a balloon after a last-minute defect in their radio equipment had been remedied.

Yesterday's rainy, overcast conditions were today replaced by cloud and light north winds—settled enough for take-off but not quite windy enough.

The party consists of Mr. Arnold Elmont, his son Timothy, Mr. Colin Maudie and Mr. Maudie's wife Rosemary. The gondola of their balloon, named "Small World", can in an emergency become a boat.—China Mail Special.

**YOUNGER  
BRIDES?**

London, Dec. 10.  
Mrs. Barbara Scruggs, 14-year-old bride now living here with her U.S. serviceman husband, has raised a controversy over whether the legal age of consent—16 for girls—should be lowered in this country.

Mr. Marcus Lipton, a Labour Member of Parliament, who criticised the government for allowing Mrs. Scruggs of White Plains, Virginia, to join her 21-year-old naval rating husband, said in a letter to the Daily Telegraph today that he had received many letters urging a lower age limit.—China Mail Special.

**NEWSPAPER  
DELIVERY  
HOLD-UP IN  
NEW YORK**

New York, Dec. 10.  
A strike by 4,500 deliverymen halted distribution today of New York city's nine major newspapers, with a total daily circulation of more than 5,500,000.

Eight of the nine papers continued publication with their regular personnel for over-the-counter sale at their picketed plants.

The ninth, the Daily News, was unable to go to press with Thursday's editions because printers refused to cross the truck drivers' picket line.

There appeared to be little chance of a settlement of the deliverymen's strike before Friday. Negotiations were resumed until then after a federal mediator brought both sides together for two hours this morning.

Members of the newspaper and mail deliverers union walked out at 10 p.m. yesterday after voting against acceptance of a new two-year contract negotiated by union officials and the publishers association of New York city on Sunday night.—U.P.I.

**MILLION \$  
RUG SAVED  
FROM FIRE**

Winchester, Dec. 10.  
The famous "Rug of Civilization," woven for a Shah of Persia and once insured for \$1 million, was saved from fire last night by the family of an art dealer.

Other valuable Oriental rugs and art objects were destroyed by a blaze which raced through a shop owned by Koko Boodakian & Sons.

The three sons and partners of Boodakian, Michael, 31, Harry, 33, and Leo, 36, raced into the burning building several times to save costly merchandise, including the rug.

The rug was woven by 10 men who worked continuously from 1890 to 1902 to complete it.

Its intricate design depicts the 168 "most famous men of history up to 1890."

The Boodakian's purchased the rug three years ago.—U.P.I.

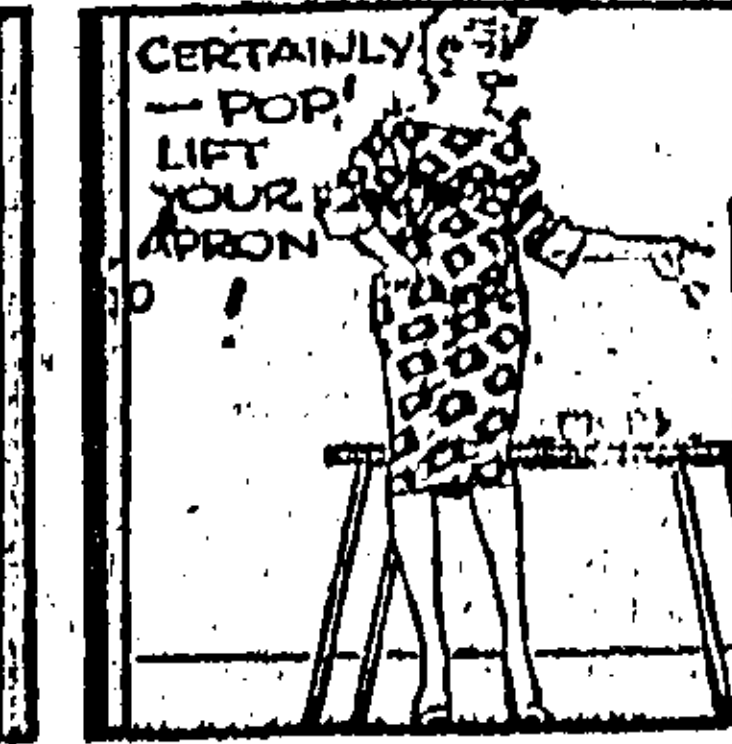
**11 WOMEN  
DID ALL  
THE TALKING**

London, Dec. 10.  
Eleven distinguished women—scientists, doctors, writers, lecturers, came to the House of Commons tonight and pointed out to 16 women Members of Parliament of all parties the perils of nuclear tests.

They faced each other across the table in one of the private interviewing rooms.

The 11 women—it was to have been 12, but Dame Peggy Ashcroft the actress, could not come—formed a deputation from the campaign for nuclear disarmament.

They pointed out that they were not "political people," and approached this question from different points of view. Those points of view were put to the Members of Parliament in nine speeches.

**POP****Down Come  
Gordon  
& Kitchener**

Khartoum, Dec. 10.  
Full military honours will be accorded the statues of General Gordon and Lord Kitchener, the conquerors of the Sudan, when they are removed from their sites in Khartoum tomorrow.

Buglers will sound retreat and reveille as the statues are shrouded in the presence of a military guard of honour and a band will play the British and Sudanese national anthems.

The statues will be removed late at night by engineers. They will be stored until Britain and the Sudan agree on their disposal.—China Mail Special.

**Prince In  
Plaster For  
Christmas  
Holidays**

Newbury, Dec. 10.  
The 10-year-old Prince of Wales went to school as usual today with his sprained right ankle in plaster.

But he faced an uncomfortable Christmas holiday as doctors said the plaster would have to stay on for another three weeks.

The prince slipped on a school staircase at Cheam School near Newbury, Berkshire, on Monday.

He did not complain at the time but yesterday morning his ankle had swollen and he was X-rayed at Newbury Hospital.

Doctors said the sprain was "fairly severe."—China Mail Special.

**London Gets  
Second  
Giant Tree**

London, Dec. 10.  
The second Norwegian Christmas tree sent this year from Oslo to be erected in Trafalgar Square, London, was landed here today—in one piece.

The first broke in half while being unloaded last week and had to be burnt.—China Mail Special.

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# MILITARY POSITION FOR RED EX-SECURITY CHIEF

## Unions Reject BOAC Decision

London, Dec. 10. A meeting of union shop stewards at London Airport tonight rejected the conclusions of the recent Court of Inquiry into the BOAC engineering strike as biased and one-sided.

After the meeting, attended by 18 shop stewards, a statement was issued which said that union leaders still believed that the action of the employers in sacking union members was a "calculated attempt to break up the trade union organisation as a prelude to redundancy."

### "Disruption"

The reference to Communist activities can only be characterised as an attempt to cause disunity and disruption within the trade union movement at BOAC.

The statement went on: "Our members are too loyal-headed and matured trade unionists to be deceived by bogeys of this type."

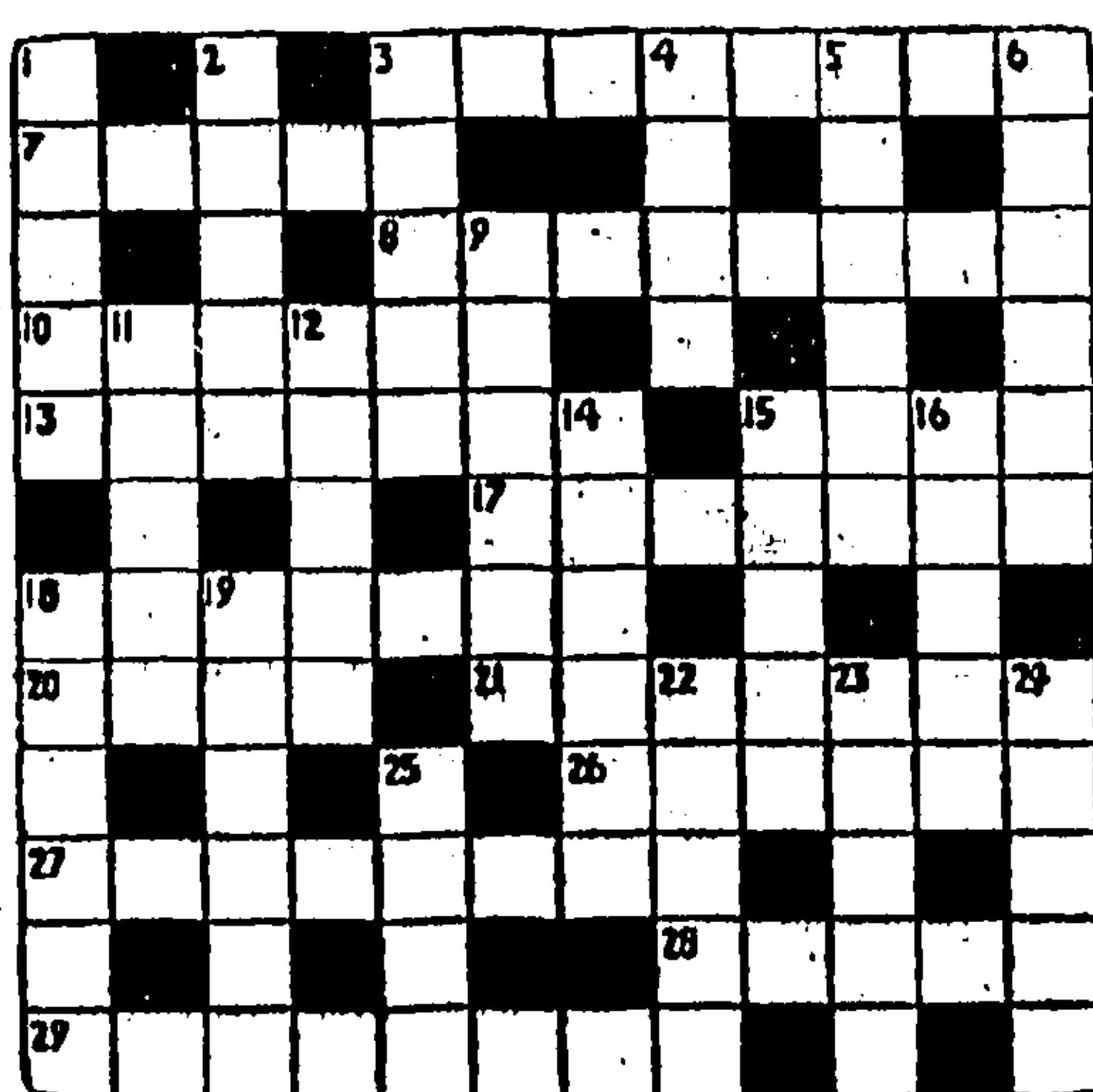
The report of the Court of Inquiry published on Tuesday said that the Communist Party did not hesitate to act in a disruptive manner and that the activities of Mr. Sid Maitland were of that kind.—Reuter.

## Alexander "Satisfactory"

Windsor, Dec. 10. The condition of Earl Alexander of Tunis, in hospital here with heart trouble, was reported today—his 67th birthday—to be "remaining satisfactory."

Earl Alexander, British military leader in World War II and former Governor General of Canada, was taken to hospital on Saturday after a heart attack at his home near here.—China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Stretch things out? (8).
  - The pointer-finger? (5).
  - Sort of pipe? (8).
  - Poetish pigeon? (6).
  - Much of a muchness? (7).
  - Have a wash? (4).
  - Tardy, late in bed? (7).
  - Settle round a place in the U.S.? (7).
  - Inequities? (4).
  - One who is this is probably in the fashion? (7).
  - Eats into? (6).
  - A lonesome state? (8).
  - Skip about saucily? (6).
  - Absent-minded? (8).
- DOWN**
- Goes all hopfully, so to speak? (5).
  - Offensiveness? (5).
  - Go one better? (8).
  - He called—(4).
  - and made a landfall here? (6).
  - Reverberated? (6).
  - Song farmland in this? (6).
  - Applied lubrication? (6).
  - Colours? (6).
  - Staggered as did the successful answer? (6).
  - Broad and slow, musically? (6).
  - French author from Inverness? (8).
  - So accustomed to be pickled? (6).
  - They're beyond teen-age? (6).
  - Build upright? (6).
  - Skilled? (6).
  - Romantic, for example? (6).
  - Twinkle, twinkle? (4).

**WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1. Mischief, 8. Castle, 9. Yield, 10. A-head, 11. Shame, 12. Drip, 13. Brand, 14. Career, 15. Leader, 16. Sent, 17. Do-do, 18. Acute, 19. Match, 20. Onward, 21. Tears, 22. A-rain, 23. Ender, 24. Down, 1. Ma-ladies, 2. Sensible, 3. Aye, 4. 21-head, 5. Clammy, 6. Adhere, 7. Trailer, 14. Arranged, 15. Disorder, 16. Catches, 17. R.E.-store, 18. Exact, 21. Charm, 24. B.N.E.A.

Moscow, Dec. 10. Diplomatic sources reported today that Ivan Serov, relieved from his post as head of Russian security, will receive an important military assignment in the regular army. The report was not confirmed officially.

Such an appointment would not be surprising in view of Serov's military training and experience.

According to the Soviet encyclopaedia, Serov graduated from a military secondary school in 1928 and served in the artillery forces.

He was regimental chief-of-staff when he was assigned to the Frunze Military Academy.

He graduated in 1939. Thereafter, he intermittently served with the security forces.

Among other things, he was Minister of Internal Affairs in



General Serov

Ukraine from 1939 to 1941 when now Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev was Ukrainian chief.

That was when the long friendship between Serov and Khrushchev started. During the war Serov resumed military work.

Between 1944 and 1945 he was Vice-Commander at the Front and between 1945 and 1947 commanded an army group in Germany.

He now holds the rank of "General of the Army," second only to Marshal of the Soviet Union.—U.P.I.

## Bridges Wins New Battle

Reno, Dec. 10. Harry Bridges, who, as a controversial west coast labour leader has weathered many disputes, won another battle today by marrying a pretty Nueces Nevada law against interracial marriages.

The marriage licence was issued by the County Clerk after a court hearing this afternoon at which the Elko District Judge, Taylor H. Wines, made a writ of mandate permanent.

He ordered the licence issued. Mr. Bridges and Miss Noriko (Nikki) Sawada 35, then went to the County Clerk's office and were given the licence.

They were married 15 minutes later by a Justice of the Peace, William R. Eemer.—U.P.I.

## Spelling Reformer Dies

London, Dec. 10. Globetrotter Dr. Mont Follick, former Labour Member of Parliament who tried to get Britain to adopt simplified spelling and switch to decimal currency, died in hospital here today.

He was 70 and a bachelor, pushed his simplified spelling bill as far as a second reading—agreement in principle—in the House of Commons despite Government opposition.

A brilliant linguist who used to own a successful chain of language schools, he campaigned all his life to bring logic and simplicity to English as "she is spell."

His scheme would have made British children learn to read phonetically—"wun" for "one" and "hors" for "horse"—and adopt American usage with "labor" for "labour" and "honor" for "honour".—Reuter.

## Australia Is Horrible Say Stowaways

Singapore, Dec. 10. The 29,784-ton liner Arcadia arrived in Singapore today with two English youths who had made a desperate but unsuccessful bid to get out of Australia.

The two are Harold Roy Smith, 19, a sheet metal worker, formerly of Hemmingsford Abbot, Huntingdonshire, and John Patten, 19, also a metal worker formerly of Edgeware, Middlesex.

For the past year since they emigrated to Australia with their parents, they have been living at Greyland Hotel at Claremont, near Perth, Western Australia.

### "People Nice"

The two disliked Australia so much that they decided to stow away aboard an England-bound vessel.

Tonight the two youths will be on their way back to Australia again—aboard the vessel Chandrapara.

Interviewed ahead of the Arcadia, Smith said: "We like the Australian people all right, they are nice. But the conditions, especially living conditions, are horrible."

Once back in Australia, he said, he and his companion would work out their two-year contracts with the Australian Government. But they could pay their passage home.

## The Pope's Advice On Politics

Vatican City, Dec. 10. Pope John XXIII has urged Roman Catholics to take an active part in politics. He said it is the "right and the duty" of the church to guide people in their political activities.

The Pope made his remarks last Sunday in a speech to a group of Italian Catholic jurists and technicians. The text was released today.

"Voters must choose their representatives with the greatest wisdom and knowledge because their choice is of particular importance in a democratic regime in which the representatives of the people have legislative power," the Pope said.

"The moral rectitude, the practical capacity and the intellectual power of parliamentary deputies is for the people of a democratic regime a matter of life and death, of prosperity or of decadence, of recovery or of perpetual ill condition."

"Catholics must unite their strength towards the common aim, and the Catholic hierarchy has the right and the duty of guiding them."

### First Audience

Pope John today held his first general audience since he became head of the Roman Catholic Church last October.

Some 3,000 to 4,000 Catholics from several countries attended. The Pope spoke first in Italian, and then in French, Spanish and English. He apologized for his bad pronunciation, adding: "I hope to do better later."—U.P.I. and France-Press.

## Diaries Closed For 60 Years

London, Dec. 10. A Conservative Member of Parliament connected with foreign affairs at the outbreak of World War II requested in his will published here today that his diaries and other documents should not be read until 60 years after his death.

The M.P., Sir Henry Channon, who died last October aged 61, was parliamentary secretary to the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs from 1938 to 1941.

He left to the British Museum his diaries and tin boxes already in their possession "on condition that the said diaries shall not be read nor the tin boxes opened until 60 years after my death."—China Mail Special.

## Fake Rupiah Notes In Singapore

Singapore, Dec. 10. Mr. J. E. S. Dawson, chief of Singapore's police commercial crime branch said today that forgers had been circulating counterfeit Indonesian 1,000 and 100 Rupiah notes in Singapore and Malaya for the past nine years.

He said the forgers were "of extremely good quality."

He said police believed a gang operated a mobile printing press, set up sometimes in Singapore and sometimes in Malaya.

He added: "The ring has been too clever for the police so far."

The morning newspaper Straits Times said it had discovered that Singapore was being "flooded" with the forged money.

Both Mr. Dawson and the newspaper were referring to claims by Mr. Harli, Indonesian Prime Minister, that counterfeit Rupiah notes made in Singapore had been circulating in the South Celebes.—Reuter.



Ready for an outing. Thelma (left) and Beverly share one pram. Anthony and David (he's asleep) share the other.

## What Shall We Give The Quads For Their Birthday?

—Ask The Board Of Directors

THE Chairman of the Board of Directors will probably say something like this: "Gentlemen, the next item on the agenda is—what shall we give the quads for their birthday?"

For the question of the quads comes under the heading of very urgent business at the Guildford, Surrey, head office of a baby food firm.

The quads are the Bennett babies of Stepney—Anthony, David, Thelma, and Beverly. Next month they will be one year old.

The firm is taking such an interest in the babies that the boardroom agenda lists them with such priority items as production figures, sales campaigns and staff appointments.

### Special gift

"The babies are being fed on our products," said a spokesman, "so naturally the directors take a personal interest in them."

They want to mark the birthday with a very special gift.

"But so far they have not been able to decide what would make a suitable present."

"It's not often a board of directors has to face a problem of this sort. It might take quite a bit of discussion to find a solution."

London County Council has a personal interest, too. Every day at the Bennett's home in Vauxhall Close, E., a nurse and a domestic worker report for duty.

The nurse is there to advise 38-year-old Mrs. Mary Bennett about the quads' health.

Helps with chores. She also takes them for a daily outing in the local park.

The domestic worker helps with household chores. "It's all part of our service," said an L.C.C. official. "We are human enough to appreciate the problems facing a mother of quads."

"Coping with one baby is a full-time job. But FOUR babies... what a task. The least we could do was to provide a nurse and home-help. Besides, we're proud of our Bennett's."

The L.C.C.'s interest in doctor Bill Bennett's family has not stopped there.

They have also provided them with a house—one of the most modern council houses in Stepney.

### Parking Problem

London, Dec. 10. Viscount Kilmorey told the House of Lords yesterday it was too bad that Mrs. Bennett did not choose the present to write "Das Kapital" for her never get it written.

"It would be too busy looking for some place to park his car," the Viscount explained.—U.P.I.

## MISTRIAL IN SYNAGOGUE BOMBING CASE

Atlanta, Dec. 10. Judge Durwood Pye declared a mistrial today in the first of five cases resulting from the dynamiting of a synagogue here on October 12.

Judge Pye dismissed the all-male jury in the first trial after the foreman, Ralph Castleberry, reported a hopeless deadlock after deliberating 22½ hours on the fate of the defendant, George Allen Bright.

The foreman said the majority stood for conviction with a recommendation of mercy, carrying a sentence of life imprisonment.

### Death Penalty

The jury had two alternatives: acquittal or the death penalty.

Bright was indicted on a charge of dynamiting a house of worship within the city limits, a capital offence.

Six other men were arrested with him but one later was released.

The jury received the case on Saturday night.

Castleberry reported on Monday night that the group was "hopelessly deadlocked" at 9 to 3.

The same vote prevailed when the mistrial was declared, he said.

## Novelist Francois Sagan Wins Action Against Her

Paris, Dec. 10. A French civil court today dismissed a claim for damages against novelist Francois Sagan by a man who sued her because she gave his last name to an unpleasant character in her latest book "In a Month, In a Year."

The man, Henri Jolyet, had asked for 4,000,000 francs, but had withdrawn his suit against Sagan after she had changed the name of the character to Jolyet in later editions of her book.

Ms. Sagan, however, threatened because Jolyet had informed the press of the case before notifying her, demanded that the case should continue its course, and at the same time claimed damages against Jolyet for the unauthorised publicity.

This claim was also dismissed by the court, but Jolyet was ordered to pay the whole costs of the case.

Announcing its judgment, the court noted that Ms. Sagan, (wife of French publisher Guy de Sagan) had changed the disputed name in the forthcoming film of the book, as well as in the later editions of the book itself, and had shown a wide measure of conciliation.

France-Press.

## East Germans Reject 'Corridor' Suggestion

Berlin, Dec. 10. The East German Communists tonight sharply rejected a suggestion by West Berlin Mayor, Willy Brandt, that Free Berlin be linked to West Germany by a guaranteed international land "corridor."

Mayor Brandt made the "corridor" proposal yesterday in an interview with the Copenhagen newspaper Politiken. The Communist reply came unofficially in a commentary circulated by the East German News Agency ADN.

The Communist suggestion said Mayor Brandt's proposal was a land corridor carved through 110 miles of East German territory would serve to shield East Germany against infiltrating Western "agents."

One of the main Communist complaints against the West Berlin free world outpost is that it is an alleged base for anti-Communist agents.

"Far from shielding us from agents," ADN said, "Mayor Brandt, with the help of his corridor, would aim at making his system for sneaking in agents to West Berlin more secure."—U.P.I.

## \$1,000,000 Cheque

Rome, Dec. 10. An itinerant peddler in Sardinia found a one million dollar cheque in the pocket of a second-hand pair of pants shipped to Italy in a relief bundle from the United States. It was disclosed today.

The cheque, drawn on New York's Chase Manhattan Bank, was dated 1958 and made out to John Beresford Tipton to Kathleene Moore.

The under, whose name was withheld, notified the bank which told him Tipton was one of its clients and a search would be made for Mrs. Moore.

Under Italian law the peddler will get 10 per cent of the cheque's value, US\$100,000.—France Press.

## Kadar Ill

Vienna, Dec. 10. Communist Hungary admitted today that Hungarian Communist party boss Janos Kadar has fallen ill with pleurisy.

A spokesman of the Hungarian Government said today that Kadar had fallen ill with pleurisy last Monday and was ordered by doctors to stay in bed.

However, he added that Kadar's illness was not considered serious.—U.P.I.

## Santa On Fire

Metz, France, Dec. 10. Santa Claus gave children here a fright yesterday when he almost went up in smoke.

Making a pre-Christmas appearance at a children's party, Santa stood too near the stage and his robes and beard caught fire.

He rolled him in a rug, saved him from being badly burned.—China Mail Special.

## Loose Moose

Gander, Nland, Dec. 10. Taxi driver Bill Krough was treated for severe cuts and bruises last night when his taxi collided with an 800-pound moose on the main street of this airport town.

The animal was killed and the meat supplied to the local hospital.—U.P.I.





ANNE SHARPLEY

## So now I'm OK for sound!

THE first time I went into the Temple of Sound I was shown the door. What I wanted, I explained (far too positively I know now) was some invisible sound equipment to play my records on.

I could not bear those great blank, mysterious-looking loudspeaker things, bandaged in grey stick-on material. Couldn't they put it up the chimney for me?

Silence fell in the place where they sell every kind of sound except in colour. I'm afraid, Madame, we may do installations unless we are certain we can do them up to our very high standard. I don't think we'll be able to help you.

### Unsporting

I had committed some frightful sin, but what was it?

My friends treading warily through quagmires of delicate equipment had made it clear it was downright unsporting of me to get my sound equipment predestined in a neat box with nothing to do but plug it in. "You're not getting the pleasure you could from your car," they told me, a challenging thought to any woman.

So I set off to get my ears their rights.

But every time I opened an ear in the Temple of Sound (a rather muddled-looking basement off Regent Street) I put my foot in it, so to speak.

Women were the creatures who had made sound-devoters cut down the size of those glorious big loudspeakers.

### Salaam...

Women were always screaming about all those lovely batteries of switches and dials, saying they made sitting-rooms look like scientific centres.

And now here was one who wanted it out of sight altogether. I pondered on my failure for a few days and then decided, in all humility, to try again.

I did a submissive little salaam at the bottom of the steps and said could they possibly, kindly, explain a little of their religion to me.

The were very nice men really, and had decided that since women were here to stay they had better civilise me.

There was a difference between sound and noise, just as there was between perfume and smell, I learnt.

Stereophonic sound was the rich Paris perfume of sound.

My instructor told me all about living with sound everywhere. He even had a loudspeaker in the bathroom.

"My wife records the radio programmes I have missed during the day and I listen to them in the bath," he told me.

### Smellies?

He had even invented, he told me, a vast collar of thin wood that stuck out round his ears like those of an angry African elephant—"so that not a nuisance is missed."

Did he wear that in the bath? I asked.

"What about smellies in records?" I said, thinking how much perfume might be augmented by a little of the real thing.

"Yes, soon, perhaps. It's just a question of finding a way of doing it," he said, looking into the scientific vistas ahead. "The car is still an unexplored channel for suggestion. I believe we will be able to reproduce every sensation of living without having to move from our loudspeakers," he said.

"Hail on the day," I added, putting my feet up.

"Do...do you think I might have mine put up the chimney?" I asked, timid but determined.

Our eyes glinted defiantly at one another. He yielded at last with the gracefulness of a man who has remembered he will be able to deal with me entirely by ear in the happy times ahead.

### U-type

Before I went to see her I wondered what Anne Hawkins Buckingham Palace's new Press assistant would be like. And I tried to visualise her office.

I imagined a tall, slim U-type girl with pearls and a cashmere cardigan.

Her office would be small not too light and filled with Old Masters they did not know what to do with in the rest of the Palace, I speculated.

Miss Hawkins turned out to be a tall, slim, U-type girl with pearls and a cashmere cardigan. And her office was certainly small, badly lit, and had no less than seven Old Masters (among them a Teniers and a Van Ostade) on the walls.

Surprising was Miss Hawkins's ready use of many times the formula for turning down unwelcome questions ("That is a private matter") in her first month's work. "Only three so far," she said.

Ever since the entrancing revelation that during one of the breaks in the ice age hippopotami used to roam London (some hippo bones were recently dug up in Trafalgar Square) I have dreamt of re-stocking Britain with hippos.

I saw them chomping pleasantly around London in bowlers and taking dips in the Thames.

So when I heard that Carr Hartley, the man who supplies hippos to the Zoos of the world (Daisy and Neville in Regent's Park were a couple of his) was in London I went to see him.

Just as I imagined he said that hippos make adorable (his word) pets. And he thinks young ones could be acclimatised to Britain quite easily (£850 per young hippo). He adds an unexpected virtue.

"Hippos are the most punctual animals in the world. Once it knows you feed it at a certain hour it's there to the second." Punctual London hippos in bowlers.

MY TAXI pulled up alongside Mr. Nubar Gulbenkian's taxi (all brass and basketwork but a genuine London taxi underneath).

Mr. Gulbenkian was inside and my taxi driver leant out to say what everyone wants to say to Mr. Gulbenkian, but probably doesn't.

"Wish I had your money, Guy," (London Express Service).

## ROUND-UP

### MINERS' CHRISTMAS

A NUMBER of miners in the Barnsley area have booked to spend their Christmas holiday on the Continent, mostly in Paris. A local travel agency spokesman says some of them are flying. "In recent years they have started to take Continental holidays in the summer and this seems to have whetted their appetite for more," he commented.

### CHEAP TRAVEL

BRITAIN'S record year for tourism coincides with the 100th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Cook "the man who invented cheap travel." Cook, founder of the world-known travel organisation was born in Melbourn, Derbyshire, in 1808. The firm, which grew out of his anti-drink efforts, now does travel business with more than five million clients a year. Cook was indentured to the carpentry and cabinet making trade, later turning to printing when he established a business in Leicester. In July 1841, he arranged for 570 fellow temperance supporters to travel by open rail carriage from Leicester to Loughborough to attend an important temperance meeting. The 24-mile round trip was a one shilling. That was the start of the business. The Great London Exhibition of 1851 saw Cook arranging tours which brought 100,000 people to the Metropolis. From Yorkshire the return fare was five shillings. He began his foreign tours with a 34s. 6d. return trip from Leicester to Calais. Cook remained a staunch temperance worker. On one occasion he addressed 600 British soldiers at Agra, India, on the "evils of drink." He died in 1892 at the age of 84.

### ALLIGATOR PET

A 17-INCH alligator is the pet of Fireman David Sladey at his Wembley, Middlesex, flat. He has named it "Ally." It's a monster in miniature, sleeps and swims in a large glass tank heated to 85 degrees, in the sitting room. A voracious feeder on cubes of meat, supplemented by calcium tablets, Ally is growing an inch and a half per month. For company he has three water tortoises. "Nearly all the alligators kept as pets in Britain are caymans or other croc types," Sladey says. A larger tank for Ally has already been ordered. When he outgrows that one he will have to be offered to a zoo.

## Don Iddon's Diary

# THIS EIGHTH WONDER NOBODY BOASTS ABOUT...

Montreal.

THE first violent storm of the winter flayed the St Lawrence Valley eight hours after I got here. Fortunately I had flown low over the vast Seaway and power project before the blizzard engulfed the area and all the works of man—the great dams and locks, the canals and channels, the power stations, bridges, tunnels, and roads.

As we crested over the river and then dived above Lake St. Louis, Lake St. Francis, and on to the Thousand Islands I could see the sheets of ice in the grey water and there were snow flurries in the air.

### On schedule?

The pilot said: "She is closing in all right. The weather's turning bad—better not go too low as there's a bad down draught. Better get a good look while you can."

I peered down at the cross-word puzzle of forests that had been flattened, at the creeks in the earth, and the elongated Seaway itself.

There were the wrecks of villages that had been abandoned, great holes in the earth, an island cut in half, and all the paraphernalia of construction and destruction.

"Will she be on schedule?" I asked the pilot.

"Can't say. The politicians said April and we would be ready to roll. But it looks to me more like June or near the beginning of July."

He added: "No one's complaining. It's been one hell of a big job."

It has. Some say it has been a miracle, and certainly it is the most prodigious piece of surgery ever planned on geography, and all done in about four years.

During the past day or two, when the snow has let up for a time and the winds dropped, I have been taking a good hard look at what the Canadians and Americans have achieved.

First they have tamed the river, the mighty St. Lawrence, often benign, but sometimes turbulent. They have brought it to heel and opened up a north-east passage that the Canadians from Montreal to the American Middle West and makes ocean ports of the inland cities, Chicago, Detroit, Toronto.

### Footing the bill

The engineers who did the job, and some were British, don't talk about "a fourth coast" or "an eighth sea" or "Canada's main street." They leave that to the journalists.

But they insist that the Seaway is ultimately a great change in the world's shipping and trade.

One construction chief at Massena, in New York State,

told me: "If it can't do what we expect, then there's a nice hunk of change gone down the drain. This has cost plenty."

The cost so far has been \$1,200,000,000, and will probably reach \$1,600,000,000 before we are in business. There is a curious idea among people who have not been here that the Americans are footing the bill because the Canadians could not find all that money.

Not so. For every million that the United States has contributed to the construction of the Seaway the Canadians have put in three million. This, to a great degree, is a Canadian triumph, a Commonwealth achievement.

Touring the area, I have found very little boasting. Canadian Government officials have insisted: "Now don't go giving the idea that you'll be able to sail the Queen Elizabeth or Queen Mary or United States up the Seaway. This is for smaller ships."

"The key figure, and we hope the lucky number, is 27. The locks and channels are 27ft deep."

Men have been arguing about this Seaway for 50 years, long

before the first blueprint, and I feel there will always be controversy.

Professor Marvin Barilom, of Western Reserve University, says: "The present construction is not the end of the argument. It is only the end of the beginning."

### Two projects

I should make clear that more than a seaway 360 miles long has been built. An enormous series of hydro-electric power plants has been built.

So this is not just one mammoth project but two.

Have there been rows, arguments, resignations between the Americans and the Canadians and among themselves? Plenty.

There are always arguments when \$1,000,000,000 or more and world prestige are at stake. The writer and historian Hugh MacInnes says: "National pride and prejudice were involved, but the important thing is that all the differences were resolved and the two good night-bours went ahead."

Not all the differences but most of them. There is still a bitter, though undercover, battle over the official opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

The Americans have argued that President Eisenhower should share the honours with the Queen. This has infuriated the ardent royalists here.

The Queen, according to present plans, will travel with her husband aboard the yacht Britannia in late June, passing through Montreal to the international section of the St. Lawrence and will officiate at the Canadian-United States opening ceremonies.

It President Eisenhower cares to attend in a somewhat junior but almost joint capacity, well and good.

I am told by Ottawa that the President, a mild man, is likely to agree. It would be a far cry for the Canadians to have one ceremony and the Americans another after all this toil together.

There is also a controversy about the Seaway tolls. But actually the proposed tolls are lower than those of the Panama Canal and the Suez Canal, and if shipping interests cannot agree on a fair price then they do not deserve to use the inland sea.

### No claimant

In all this necessarily rushed and certainly uncomfortable survey of the Seaway I am intrigued by one feature. No single person, man or woman, has stepped forward and claimed to be the father or mother of the project.

And until another King Canute comes along there won't be.

## FIRST FULL REPORT ON WHAT BRITAIN'S NO. 1 ATOM EXPERT SAW IN RUSSIA

# Sir John Cockcroft gives a startling interview

By ANGELA CROOME

SIR John Cockcroft, Britain's top atomic scientist, has returned from a week's visit to Russia with astonishing news of nuclear developments in the Soviet Union.

"Russia will be very, very powerful in ten years—if there is no political trouble," he told me in an interview in the Atomic Energy Authority's London headquarters.

He added: "No one's complaining. It's been one hell of a big job."

At present Russian science and technology is not up to ours in all fields but in those given priority it is already as good and soon will be better.

The fields given top priority, Sir John found, are: Military developments including rocketry, atomic power, the aircraft industry, engineering and metallurgy.

In particular the Russians are making a major effort in fusion power—the application of the H-bomb principles to the development of electrical power for industry.

Sir John says that they are devoting more effort to this than to fusion—A-bomb type power—"because it is more glamorous."

### A Reality

"But," said Sir John, "we have got to make do with fusion power for the next 20 to 30 years. Fusion power is not likely to be a reality before that."

On the other hand, Sir John found that the Russians are a long way behind on the application of radiation to medicine. This was notably the case in the use of isotopes for the treatment of disease, the storing of food and in agriculture.

How are the Russians going ahead so fast? The simple answer is that they have more people to draw from.

"In fusion they are working on a very broad front. Because of their scientific manpower they can pursue three or four different lines simultaneously. We can tackle only one."

They turn out 50,000 engineers every year as against our 5,000. These take a five-year course (the British course is shorter) so that the training is "more thorough."

Then Moscow University alone processes 30,000 physicists, and the same number of chemists a year.

Said Sir John: "Metallurgical developments are much the most difficult part of nuclear power programmes. The importance of producing large numbers of metallurgists lies in the fact that the immense

heat produced in the fusion process melts all ordinary metals. New alloys have to be devised. This is one of the key problems facing the modern scientist.

### Example

Sir John was last in Russia in 1930 on a scientific mission. He was therefore able to measure the progress made in 22 years.

The Russians have concentrated most effectively on producing crack metallurgists. Ten thousand new metallurgists are trained yearly. "Britain perhaps produces 500."

Because of their overwhelming numbers the Russians can stage extraordinary crash programmes.

The Sputniks were an example. Now they have developed OGRA in six months, OGRA, first presented at the Geneva conference for Peace, is thought to be the most promising way of getting electricity from fusion produced by anyone so far.

### Faster

The Russians have produced their own version of Britain's ZETA in six months—that is ZETA's vital statistics since published last January. "We could not possibly have produced ZETA in less than a year and a half," said Sir John.

Question—"Does the clergy bureaucracy of the Soviet Union affect their scientific work?"

Sir John—"Top priority work is not affected at all. There seemed less red tape at the two big nuclear institutions than in any of our Government departments. Their top nuclear men are a very powerful figure. He gets just what he wants."

Question—"Have you given away too much about atomic power?"

Sir John—"No, the Russian programme has been quite independent. It is characteristically Russian. They have not copied anything." Except ZETA. They developed their ZETA type machine since our results came out.

Can we stem the flood? The short answer is not really. It is a problem of numbers. We can step up our output of scientists and engineers by expanding universities. This is being done.

We can encourage young men to go into these jobs by paying them more. This is beginning to happen. Even so, "there is a steady small drain of very high quality people to the States. Here is not a country house, a chauffeur-driven car and two months' holiday a year."

(Their standing, in fact, compares with our captains of industry.)

"I don't know about men in the middle. At the mechanic level, living standards seem about the same."

Question—"Why do they go?"

Sir John—"Because there is better pay and better facilities for more professional work."

Question—"Is there any reverse flow?"

Sir John—"How soon before our scientific leaders are treated as well as the Russians?"

Sir John laughed so heartily at this that there seemed nothing more to say.

(London Express Service).

### Top people

Question—"Are scientists and engineers better off in Russia?"

Sir John—"The 150 leaders in the field are top people. They are much better paid than here and tax is only ten per cent. They have a country house, a chauffeur-driven car and two months' holiday a year."

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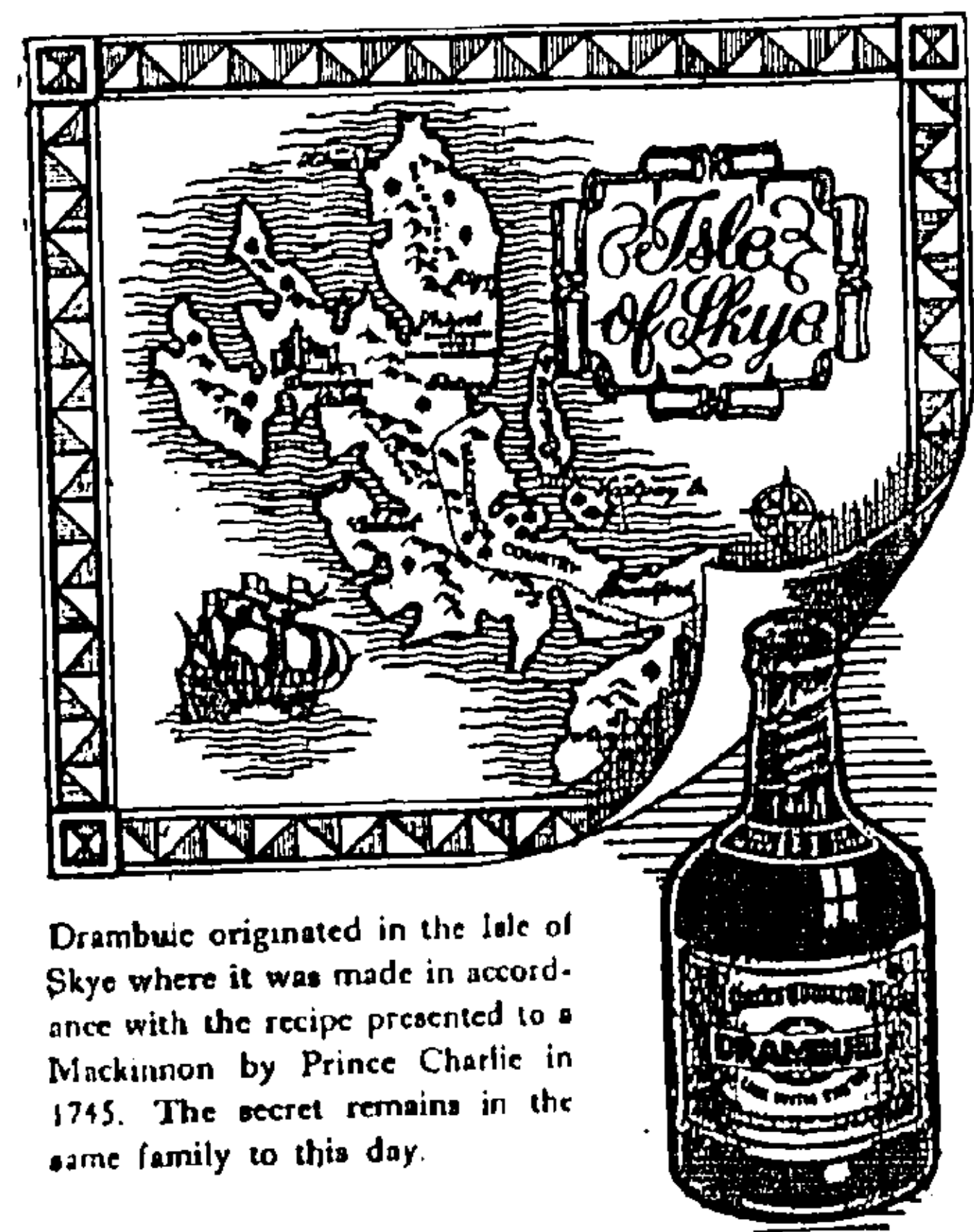
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## Friell



"I don't understand the fuss, all the starlets I have seen on the screen are perfect amateurs!"

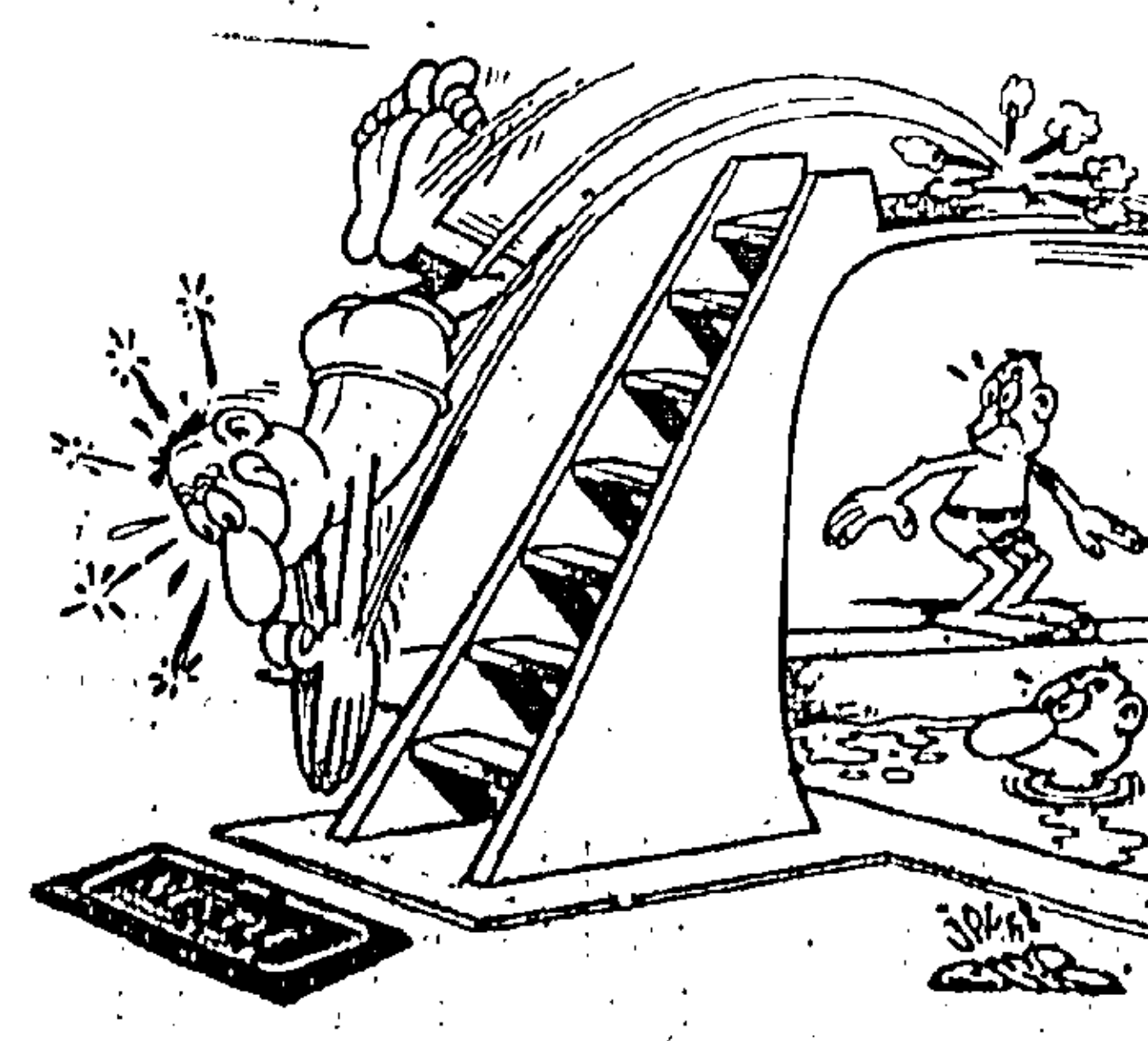


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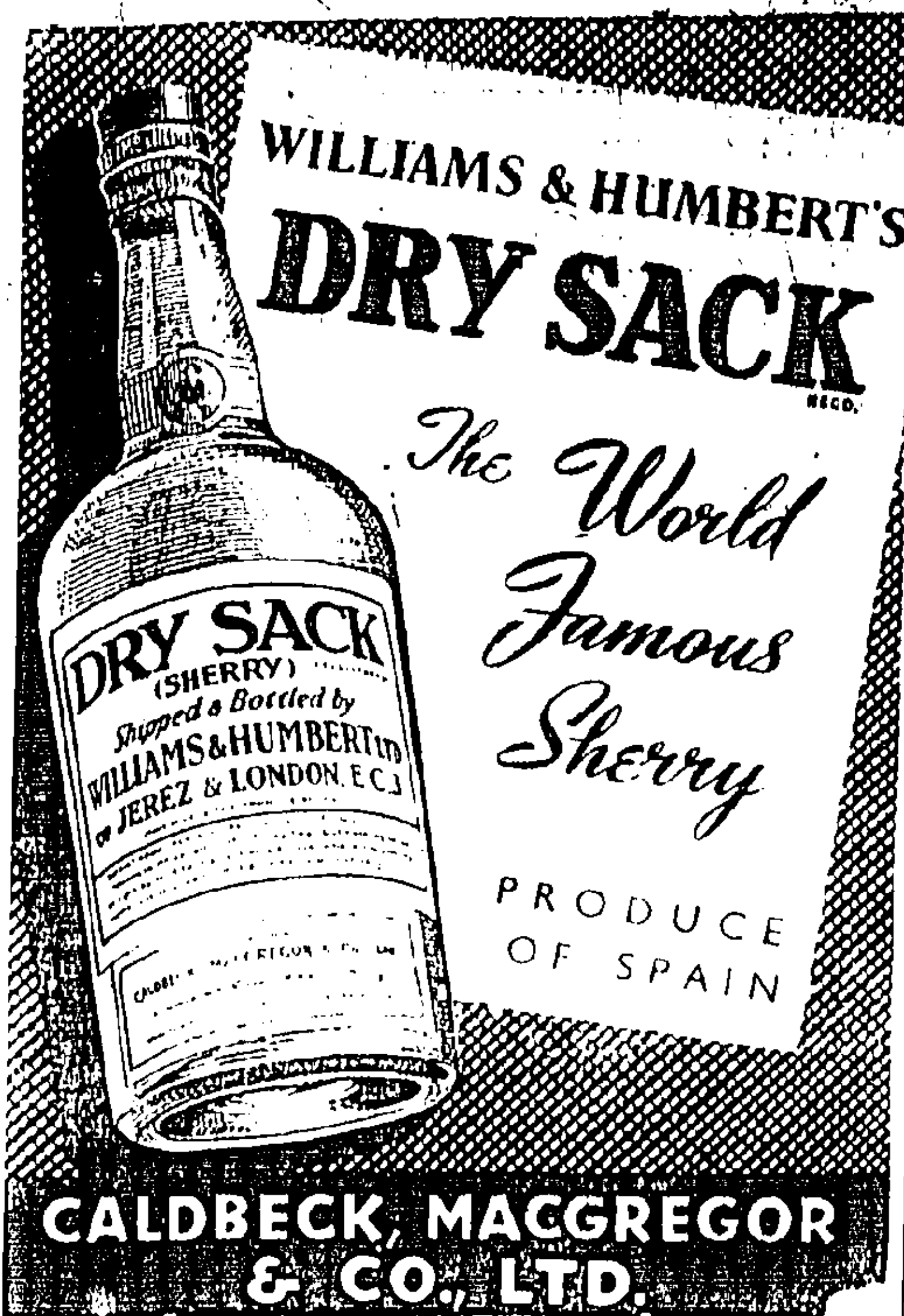


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### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB 5TH RACE MEETING

Saturday 13th and Saturday 20th December, 1958  
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 16 RACES.  
The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.  
The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.  
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable prior to the Meeting from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices, at Queen's Building, Chater Road, D'Almeida Street and Nathan Road, Kowloon, only on the written introduction of a Member, and on production of his Guest Record Card. Members are limited to 4 guests each Race Day, and will be responsible for all guests introduced by them.

GUEST BADGES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE RACE COURSE ON RACE DAYS.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72311).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members, and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years. We have Standard.

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the same rate of \$2.00 in order to gain re-admission.  
MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

#### SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

#### CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$10.00 each per day and \$12.00 each for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, Chater Road, and 5, D'Almeida Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers, within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all other cases, Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 12th December, 1958 will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Cash Sweep Tickets at \$2.00 each for the last race on 20th December 1958 and Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial Cup scheduled to be run on 14th February 1959, at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at—  
Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Almeida Street on—  
Mondays to Fridays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday 13th and Saturday 20th December 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.  
362, Nathan Road, Kowloon on—  
Mondays to Fridays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturday 13th and Saturday 20th December 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

#### TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.  
ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.  
PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.  
Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,  
A. E. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

HONG KONG, 6th December, 1958.

# ONE OF GREATEST LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHTS EVER MOORE WINS BY A K.O.

## Survives 3 Knockdowns Before Flooring Yvon Durelle In 11th Round

By JACK CUDDY

Montreal, Dec. 10.

Light-heavyweight champion Archie Moore survived three knockdowns and floored Canadian Yvon Durelle four times tonight for an 11th-round knockout in their title fight and became boxing's all-time kayo king with 127 knockouts.

Referee Jack Sharkey, former heavyweight champion, counted out the blood-smeared challenger and champion of the British Empire at 49 seconds of the 11th round as Durelle lay flat on his back.

It was one of the greatest light-heavyweight fights ever staged, and Moore—though he'll be 42 or 43 years old on Saturday—survived terrific punishment and dished it out in a fashion that few youngsters could have paralleled.

Moore was on the canvas three times in the last round for two official knockdowns and one trip that Sharkey ruled a slip.

Ancient Archie was on the canvas again in the fifth for a knockdown and it seemed he was practically finished but he came storming back in the sixth and staggered Durelle twice and bloodied his nose.

#### Early Surprise

Durelle surprised the champion early in the opening round, knocking Moore down three times. Moore was hanging on and groggy. He took a third count on his last knockdown, a hard right to the jaw that almost rolled him through the ropes.

Moore came out a little stronger in round two, but stayed outside jabbing and hooking. Durelle tagged him with a hard right to the chin but Moore countered strongly with a left-right combination.

Durelle jarred Moore in the opening seconds of round three with a right cross, and then threw a flurry of punches at Moore in the corner. Durelle hurt Moore with a hard left jab and kept stalking Moore.

#### Almost Jack-Knifed

Durelle landed a left and then a right to Moore's head early in the fourth round. Moore almost jack-knifed Durelle with a low right. Durelle staggered Moore with a stiff right, but Moore scored with flicking lefts and rights. Moore staggered Durelle with a left and right to the head but the Canadian rallied at the bell and they were trading punches after the bell.

Durelle rough-housed Moore around the ring in the opening minute of round five. Durelle floored Moore for the fourth time with a short right to the jaw. Moore took an eighth count and then rallied to tag Durelle with stinging lefts and rights that had Durelle staggering back.

#### Brought Blood

Moore scored with a stiff right to Durelle's head in the first seconds of round six. Moore's left jab brought blood to Durelle's nose. Moore stung Durelle with a left-right combination but Durelle came right back to shake up Moore. Moore scored with three rapid left hooks to the face and was scoring almost at will in the final minute.

#### FA Cup Replays

Results of today's English Football Association Cup second round replays were—  
Chesham U. 0, Carlisle U. 0. (Winners away to Colchester United or Yeovil Town).  
Darlington 3, Halifax Town 0. (Winners away to Accrington Stanley).—Reuter.

Moore kept Durelle outside with left jabs in the opening minute of the seventh, but Durelle kept boring in and tagged Moore with a long right and a long left. Durelle landed a right flush on Moore's jaw. He staggered Moore again with a looping right to the head, but once again Moore came back strong and dropped Durelle with a right for a three count near the end of the round.

Durelle came out fast in round eight and carried the fight to Moore. Moore pummeled Durelle in the close fighting as Durelle kept looking for a big opening. Moore rocked Durelle with a right, but Durelle kept stalking his man. Moore staggered Durelle into the ropes with a left-right combination. Durelle rebounded off the ropes to swarm all over Moore as the round ended.

#### Wild Exchanges

Both fighters staggered one another repeatedly in the early part of round nine. Durelle and Moore hanging on as he hit him with a flurry of lefts and rights. Moore straightened up Durelle with a right to the head. Both fighters traded punches in wild swinging exchanges. Moore staggered the Canadian in the final seconds with a well-timed right.

Both fighters traded left jabs in the beginning of round 10. Moore had Durelle in trouble with a series of short lefts and rights to the head. Durelle rallied briefly, but Moore came on again. With a minute to go, Moore had Durelle staggering again. But Durelle seemed to weather it. Moore dropped Durelle to his knees with a left hook and he was on one knee when the bell sounded at the count of eight.

Moore staggered Durelle with a right to the jaw in the opening

seconds of round 11. A left hook dropped Durelle and he took a nine count. With blood streaming from his nose, he staggered to his feet and Moore put him down for the count with a left-right combination as referee Sharkey counted him out. The time of the knockout was 49 seconds.—U.P.I.

## POLES NOMINATE ELLIOTT AS WORLD'S BEST SPORTSMAN FOR 1958 Top Ten Of The Year Listed

Warsaw, Dec. 10.

Polish sports fans elected Australian wonder runner, Herb Elliott, as the best sportsman of 1958 in a referendum organised by the Polish news agency P.A.P. and published here today.

Poland's long distance running champion, Zdzislaw Kryzowski, is the only sportsman from the Communist bloc to be placed in the first ten. Polish sports fans gave the 1958 top world sportsman as follows, in this order:

1. Herb Elliott (Australia—athlete) who set up new world mile and 1,500 metres records in 1958.  
2. Rader Johnson (United States—athlete) who set up a new world decathlon record this year, in Moscow.  
3. Roger Biviere (France—cyclist) who set up a new world hour cycling record this year and won the world professional pursuit cycling title.

4. John Konrads (Australia—swimmer) who set up several world swimming freestyle records this year.  
5. Ilsa Konrads (Australia—swimmer) John's younger sister, who set up several women's world swimming records this year.

6. Pele (Brazil—football) star of the Brazilian football team which won the world cup in Sweden this year. He scored three goals in the final against Sweden.  
7. Toni Sailer (Austria—skier) who won two world titles in 1958 and was triple Olympic champion in 1956.  
8. Zdzislaw Kryzowski (Poland—athlete), who won the 5,000 and 10,000 metres titles at the 1958 European athletics championships in Stockholm.  
9. Floyd Patterson (United States—boxer) who retained the world heavy weight crown this year by defeating Roy Harris by a knock-out.  
10. Armin Hary (West Germany—athlete) who won the

## IAN BLACK, JUDY GRINHAM NAMED BRITAIN'S SPORTS PERSONALITIES OF YEAR

London, Dec. 10.

Swimmers Ian Black and Judy Grinham were today named Britain's sportsman and sportswoman of the year in the national ballot organised by the Daily Express.

Ian Black, triple gold medallist at this year's European swimming championships and Gold Medal winner at the British Empire Games, also won the BBC sportsview personality of the year trophy.

The 17-year-old Aberdeen swimmer is the first Scotsman to win the awards. Footballer Bobby Charlton (Manchester United and England) was runner-up for both trophies.

Judy Grinham, 19, Olympic, British Empire and European backstroke champion, defeated Christine Truman, 17, the international lawn tennis player in the women's national ballot.

The awards were presented here tonight at a dinner which was shown on television.

Stirling Moss, the motor racing driver and Pat Smythe, the show jumper finished third in their respective national ballots.—Reuter.

## Solomons Makes Fabulous Offer To Sugar Ray

London, Dec. 10.

London boxing promoter, Jack Solomons, has cabled a "fabulous offer" to world middleweight champion, Sugar Ray Robinson, to defend his world crown in London next summer against British champion, Terry Downes, it was learned tonight.

Jack Solomons said tonight, commenting on yesterday's bout: "But for the cut, Downes would have won. I am going ahead with my plans to get him a world title fight. I am making Robinson a fabulous offer to defend his title here next summer."

Downes, who is getting married on December 21, will not box again until February. He may meet Spider Webb again at this juncture. The American, who returned to New York today has been offered a return bout against Downes, but has stated that he must be offered a good purse for the fight, since Downes had given him the hardest fight of his career.—France-Press.

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## Jones Nearer To World Billiards Title

Calcutta, Dec. 10.

India's Wilson Jones took a step nearer to winning the world amateur billiards championship title when he led the Indian national champion, Chandra Hirjee, by 2,207 points to 1,872 in his last "League match" here today.

Jones, the only unbeaten player of the League, made ten breaks of over a hundred tonight. These were: 251, 220, 211, 108, 124, 108, 100 and three breaks of 100.  
Hirjee made breaks of 168, 103, 157 and 100.—France-Press.

## RUGBY RESULTS

London, Dec. 10.

Results of today's Rugby Union county championship matches were—  
Middlesex 14, Hampshire 9.  
Kent 3, Eastern Counties 11.  
N. Midlands 3, E. Midlands 12.  
Hertfordshire 14, Oxfordshire 9.—Reuter.

## Levene Optimistic About Patterson Fighting In London

New York, Dec. 10.

British boxing promoter, Harry Levene, said here today that he was very optimistic about the chances of world heavyweight champion, Floyd Patterson, coming over to London next summer to put his title at stake against the best British heavyweight.

Levene, who arrived here over a week ago, to negotiate a London title fight between Patterson and either British Empire champion, Brian London, or challenger, Harry Cooper, said he had several talks with Patterson's manager, Gus D'Amato, and was very satisfied with the result.

D'Amato, less expensive, merely repeated what he said on Levene's arrival here—that if Patterson were to meet a British boxer for the world title, then Levene would organize the bout.

Levene's visit to Patterson and D'Amato follows that of Sweden's European champion, Ingemar Johansson and manager Edwin Ahlqvist last month. The Swedes returned to Europe from New York after talks with D'Amato without obtaining from Patterson's manager a concrete agreement for a Patterson-Johansson title bout.—Reuter.

## Sports Diary

### TODAY

Chinese FA Executive Committee Meeting, C.A.A.F. Sports Road, 6 p.m.  
TO-MORROW  
Football  
Entries close for football international series.

### SATURDAY

Div. 1—Army North v RN and Dockyard XI; Scotland v Opuntia; CCC v H. Reio; RAF v Army South; Police v HCC.  
Div. 2—HCC v Police; RN and Dockyard v Army North; Centuria v KGV School; Reiole v DBS; Army South v RAF; Phoenix Ashes v HCC.

Ladies' League v HCC v Reiole "A" (King's Park) 2.30 p.m.; KGV v Victorians (King's Park) 4 p.m.

Senior Shield—Kwong Wah v South China (C.F.) 3.15 p.m.; Caroline Hill v Kitchener (Club) 3.15 p.m.

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Div. 3—Hong Kong v University (H.V.) 4.45 p.m.

Fifth Race Meeting (First Day), Happy Valley, 2 p.m.





# One Long Dreary Forward Battle In Yesterday's Rugby ARMY BEAT REST OF COLONY 11-3

## Soldiers Play Right Game But Could Have Opened Up When Well In The Lead

By PAK LO

Tactically the Army in yesterday evening's game were quite correct to play the type of game they did, but even when well in the lead they refused to open up the game and from the spectators' point of view the game was just one long dreary forward battle lightly interspersed by a few good three moves by the Rest of the Colony.

The Rest were without their star player Rodd for most of the game through a shoulder injury, but even with him, the Army forwards dominated play to such an extent that the Rest had little chance.

The Army finally left the field the victors by 11 points (one goal, one try, one penalty goal) to three (one penalty goal).

The curtain-raiser started late as the much-hyped Druids had to borrow four players from the Whitheld Wanderers to make up their number.

The Welsh lack dropped sally by the end of the game, with the Club Selection leaving the field the losers by 12 points (two tries, one dropped goal, one penalty goal) to nil.

### Army v. Rest Of The Colony

Overall this was a disappointing game, and by any means the type of rugby the fans have become used to this season since the new Laws came into being.

It was a dour forward struggle in which Wynn and Mander dominated the line-out.

Muntz could also be seen using his hands but not, alas, on the ball.

The Army when they did get the ball seldom let it out, and the Army three and halves played a defensive game throughout.

The Rest on the other hand were always trying to open up the game for with their three that was their best chance of winning.

### Outlooked

In the scrums, the Army, although they had the weight and the shove were forced to share the ball with Jones who outlooked the Colony hooker Lowe by a narrow margin.

Mander and Clarke were quickly round the scrums when the Rest won the ball, to upset the Rest's halves. Sometimes they were too fast but were lucky as the referee did not see them.

The referee in fact was disappointing. His decisions were inconsistent now and then, and at one point for a few minutes he appeared to lose control of the game. However, like all referees he has to learn, and the only way for him to do so is to handle big games, especially at the moment when the Referees Society is short of good referees, and does not have enough experienced men.

One basic fault with last night's referee was his failure at times to stand on the same side of the scrum as the scrum-half putting in the ball, and this alone led to some odd decisions.

### Fought Well

The Rest pack fought well, especially when they were down to seven men, and in the latter part of the second half they dominated the Army pack.

The Rest three were continually attacking, but with Rodd missing and McTavish moved up, they just did not have the backing to finish off their moves.

Rodd was injured within a few minutes of the start of the game and though he continued for another twenty minutes he was a passenger for this period, and at the end of it wisely left the field before he damaged himself further.

In the Rest side McTavish was very good, especially after he moved up, and both Martin and Watson had some good runs, while Cheong, another player with an injured shoulder was moved out to the wing.

In the forwards Brackenbury was completely lost at Prop forward, and why he was positioned there is one of those odd decisions that only the Selection Committee can explain.

Williams was good in the loose but overall the Rest pack was no match for the Army, especially for Mander who played a storming game throughout.

The Army attacked from the start and before a minute had passed almost scored from a test fumble.

Then Rodd was injured and in the tenth minute a lovely

### Club Selection v. Druids

The Druids as mentioned before had to borrow four men to make up their XV, and strangely enough it was these four who shone most.

Among the Druids themselves the only outstanding player was Crawford, the full-back, but he did not get enough supporting cover from the rest of the three.

The Club started the game shakily, but in the first half went on they gradually dominated the line-outs and the scrums, and their three began to move.

In the second half the Druids were a very dispirited lot and lacked fire, and the Club with plenty of time to settle themselves, won comfortably.

Woolfson, the Druids fly-half could not get his three going as he took his passes standing still, and with Penman and Steven coming through fast on him was forced into defensive errors.

The Club halves, on the other hand, looked very smooth. Hancock had all the time in the world to get the ball

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## Benaud One Up On May



Richie Benaud, the Australian Test skipper (left) is one up on England's captain Peter May (right) at the end of the first Test match. As predicted Benaud played a great part in Australia's victory by taking four wickets for 66 in England's second innings.

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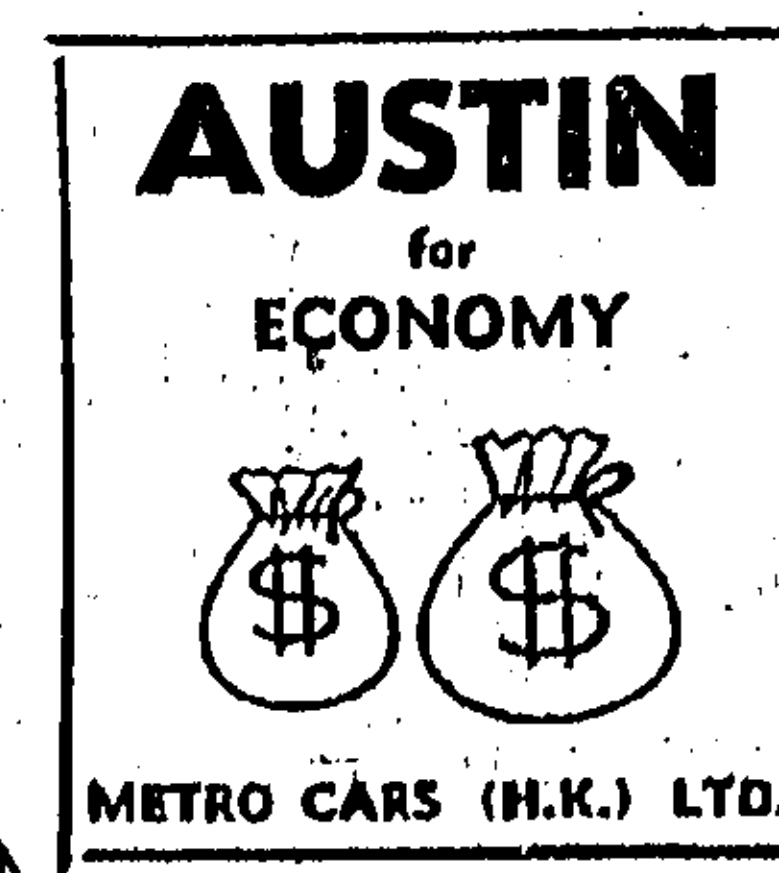
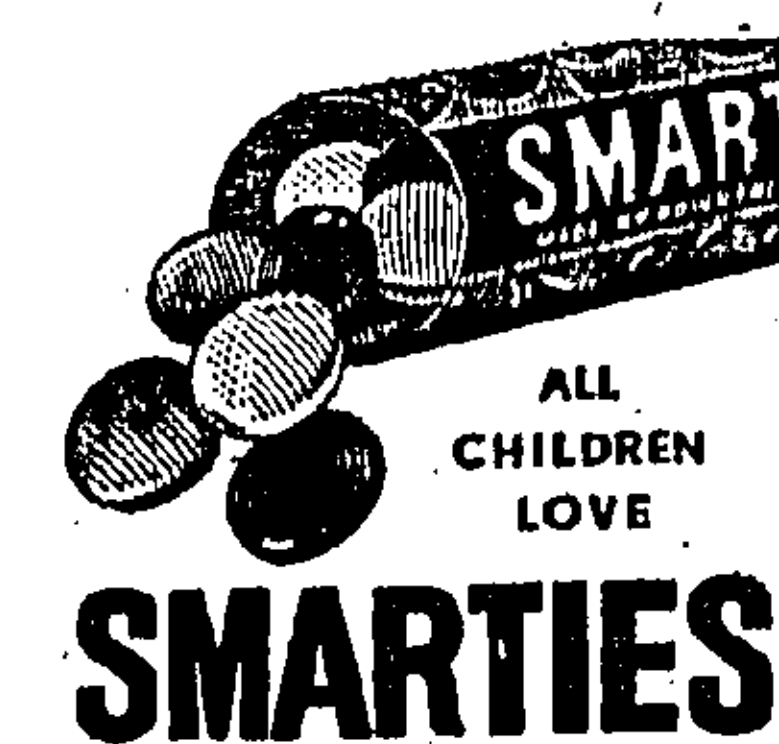
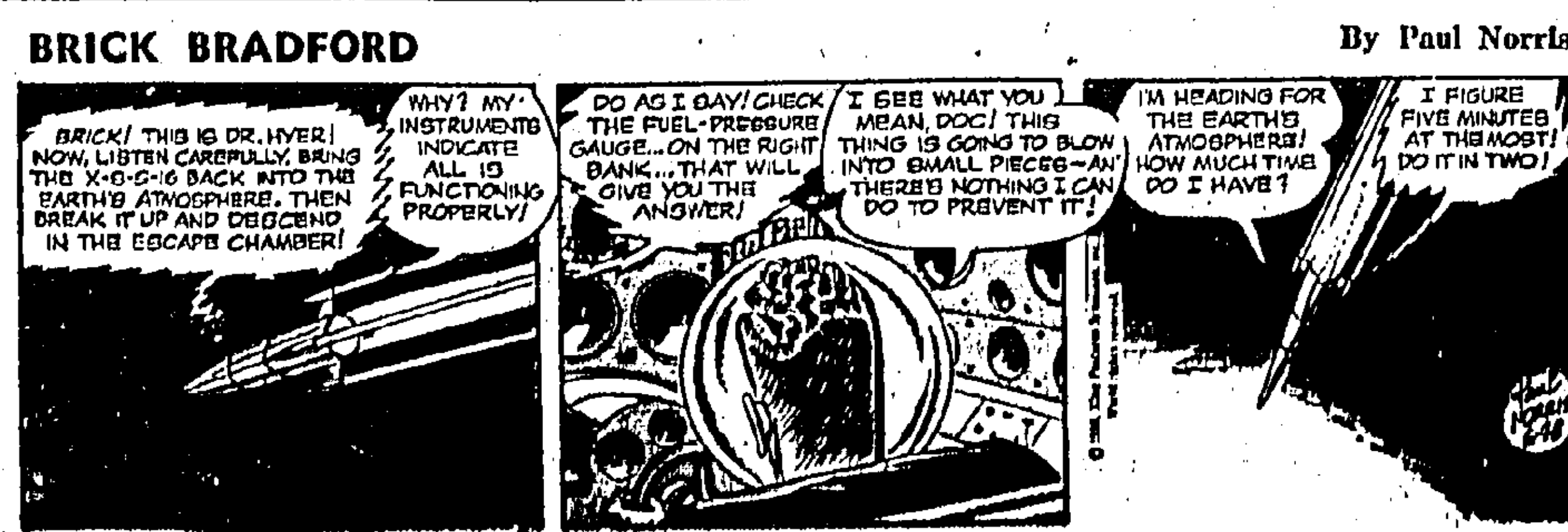
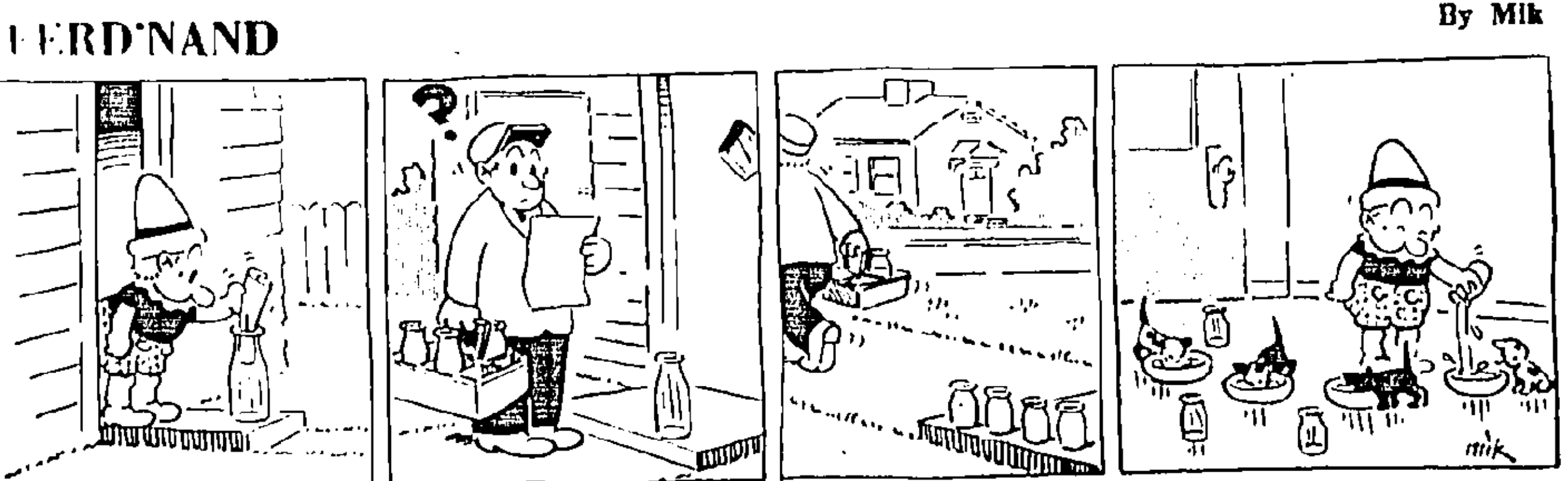
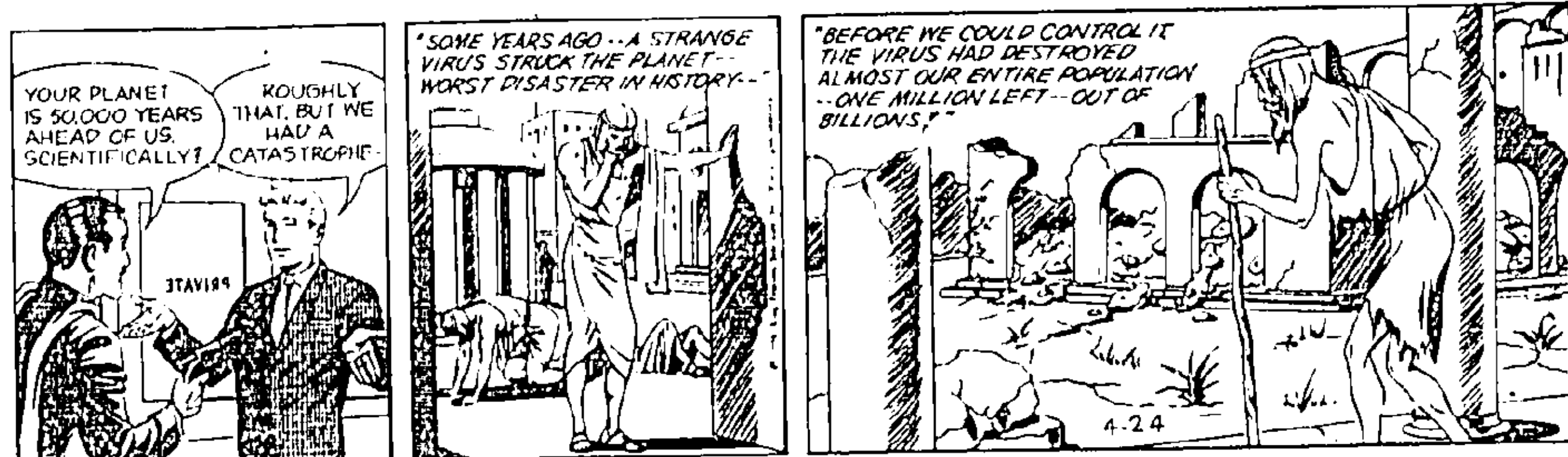
The Club kept up the pressure and Wiggett, who had some lovely runs, got the ball in the centre of the Druids 25 and dropped a goal. 9-0.

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## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



The spotlight this week is deservedly awarded to two boxers who by a combination of skill, determination and courage put up a display which earned them the unstinted applause of a large crowd of fight fans.

Pte Victor Lawson, 1/Green Howards, and Pte Brian Ashbrook, 1/Lan Regt are the boxers, and the HKABA tournament at the Club Stadium was the event.

That both lost their bouts is incidental, for both were faced with opponents who in theory at least were vastly superior, and it was in facing such superiority, and effectively neutralising it that this column selects them for mention.

Pte Victor Lawson, the third of the five 'fighting' Lawsons to reach Hongkong, opposed Gnr Gerry Myring, 5 Field Rgt, RA, who besides being ten years the senior had a wealth of experience to call on, and few after the opening seconds expected the contest to continue to its normal ending.

They counted without the tenacity of Lawson plus, I suspect, the results of coaching from his older brother who after he left these shores and returned to UK, turned professional and is slowly making a name for himself in the north of England.

### What A Best!

Myring was made to bring out his best and what a best it was. Varying his attack he was hitting very hard and it says much for young Lawson that he was able to absorb this punishment. I have no doubt he will concentrate on finding the answer to the right hand punching to the body which for too often got through his defence, and was the main reason why Myring won.

It was a grand display by two craftsmen.

Another such bout was supplied by Pte Brian Ashbrook who had the temerity to step into the ring to face the local idol of fight fans Henry Wong. The infatuation is nothing more than a good novice if his fighting record is taken as a guide, and knowing what a grand sportsman Henry is I expected him to deal kindly with Ashbrook, just doing enough to keep ahead.

### Undaunted

I counted without Brian being elated with the two novice titles he had won in the last few weeks, and quite undaunted with his adversary's reputation, he sailed in, trading punches, and a gasp went up from the fans when with a crisp blow he sent the aging champion very firmly down on the seat of his pants.

Henry delved deep into his long experience and decided just how to deal with this troublesome young man, and succeeded only after bringing out all the ringer he possessed.

Ashcroft survived some very heavy punching, and he must be superbly fit to absorb what he did and yet come back for more.

There was a little booing when the verdict was announced in the local boy's favour, but it must have come from a few fanatical supporters of the soldier for Henry quite clearly outpointed as game a sportsman as one could wish for.

The Army contribution to this excellent evening of boxing was not confined to these two.

### Bad Luck Harry

A surprisingly sluggish Bdr John Innes was once again fortunate when he faced the other member of the Lawson family, Harry. When they last clashed, the Green Howards who was forced half through the ropes grazed his eye on the rope as he attempted to duck. This time when he was well ahead in the opening round, a nasty cut was opened above his left eye and the referee was

forced to call a halt to the contest which looked like ending in his favour. Bad luck Harry, but the Army championships are not far away.

L/Cpl Tony Heywood 6 COD at 17 stone 10 pounds was far quicker on his feet than some of the lightweight on view, and there is little to match his ability to box or fight. Certainly A/B Siegg, RN, his opponent will agree with me for he was efficiently disposed off inside two minutes.

Pte Owen Jordan, 1/Lan Regt had little difficulty in forcing a game local boy in Dickie Yue to cry "enough" after one round, and Tpr. Chris Boggett, 1/RTR, dealt with A/B Prince in a similar fashion, while Pte John Sweeney only delayed things a few seconds before stopping Tpr Tiltman.

A pair of Army boxers entertained the crowd with a rousing scrap in which L/Cpl Tony Lynch, 1/Lan Regt, who hails from Liverpool opened up in convincing style against Pte James Dole, 6 COD, but in the second and third periods the "Ord" boy came more into the picture and at the end took a narrow points decision.

In an all "Lanes" contest L/Cpl Arthur Johnson met Pte Ron Swainbank and it took three rounds before the NCO was declared the winner.

### Outstanding Unit

In the other box's the remaining Army boxers gave of their best but failed to produce quite such attractive scraps as had gone before.

Gnr Tony Wicks, 40 Field Rgt, RA, lost on points to Rex Williams as did Pte Bert Whipday, 6 COD, to A/B Lee, RN, and Cpl Peter Fuller 1 RTR, to A/B Dear, RN.

The Lancashire Regiment are the outstanding boxing unit at the moment although I suspect one or two Regiments will do their utmost to deprive them of that honour.

The chief reason for this success is, I am convinced the keenness of three people, their Boxing Officers Capt Peter Craig and Lieut. James Johnson with their PTE, SSI, McArdle, APTC, and thanks are due to these for the next attraction in the boxing sphere, which will be held at the Police Football ground Boundary Street tomorrow night.

This is a match between the Regiment and the HK Police Sports Association. Top of the bill is without doubt the Bantamweight meeting between Henry Wong and Pte Owen Jordan.

### Worth Every Cent

The soldier is very confident that he can make the local boxer, but I am not so sure. Henry, very experienced, can rise to the occasion and can never be "written off" until the final gong.

This bout alone will be worth every cent of the \$1.20 admission fee and incidentally this modest sum allows you to sit anywhere. So if you want a good vantage point get there early. Boxing starts at 2000 hrs.

Pte Brian Ashbrook has another tough nut to crack for he meets the popular local policeman Eddie Ho, a hard hitting all-action fighter who should on form inflict a second defeat on the infatuation.

Twelve good bouts have already been arranged and the organisers are still looking round for more talent. So make this a "MUST" at the Police Ground, 2000 hrs.

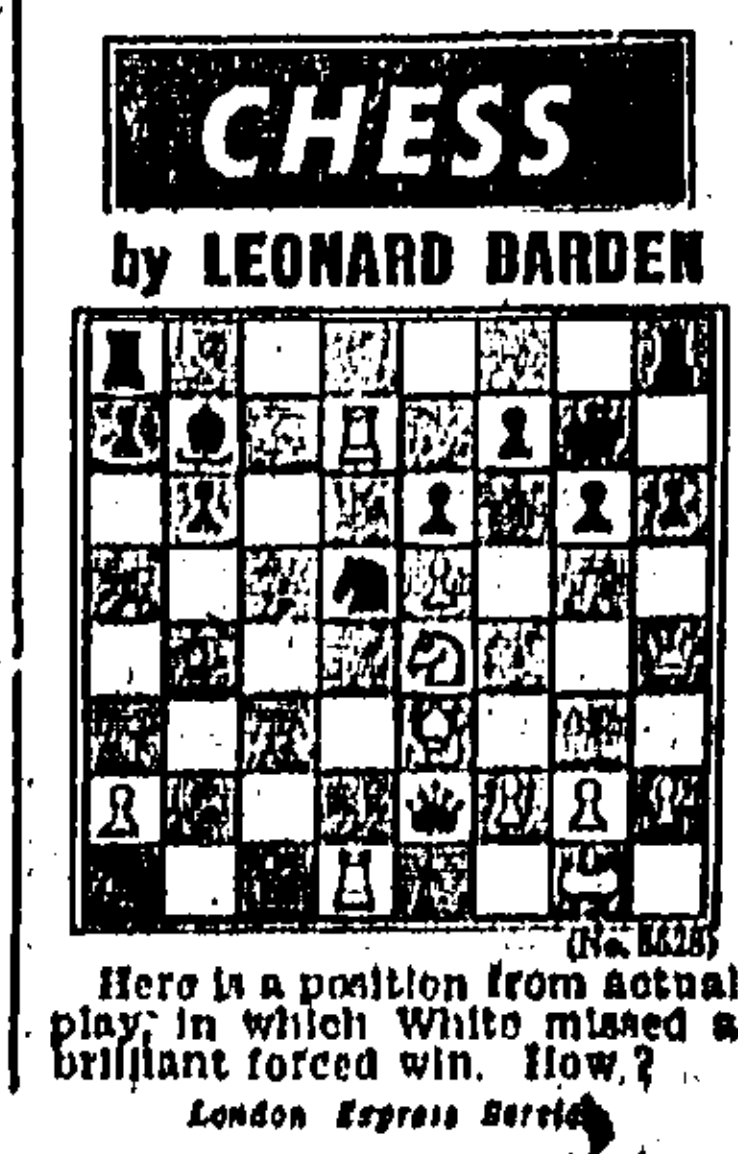
### CHess

Hockey players in the Army 'A' side, short of match practice due to a temporary halt in the civilian league programme are itching for a game.

To keep them happy Lt David Green, 1/Green Howards, has put out a challenge to the Kowloon Cricket Club, and a game has been arranged at King's Park on Sunday with the bully-off at 1500 hrs.

The selected team is Lt. Davis, RA, Sgt Smith, RA, Lt Green, Lt Dool, RADC, Lt Waller, 1/RTR, Lt Phillips, 1/RTR, Sgt Hobson, REME, Capt Jones, Sgt Hilsenbottom, 1/Lan Regt, Lt Williams, RASC, and 1/Lt Whitworth, RA.

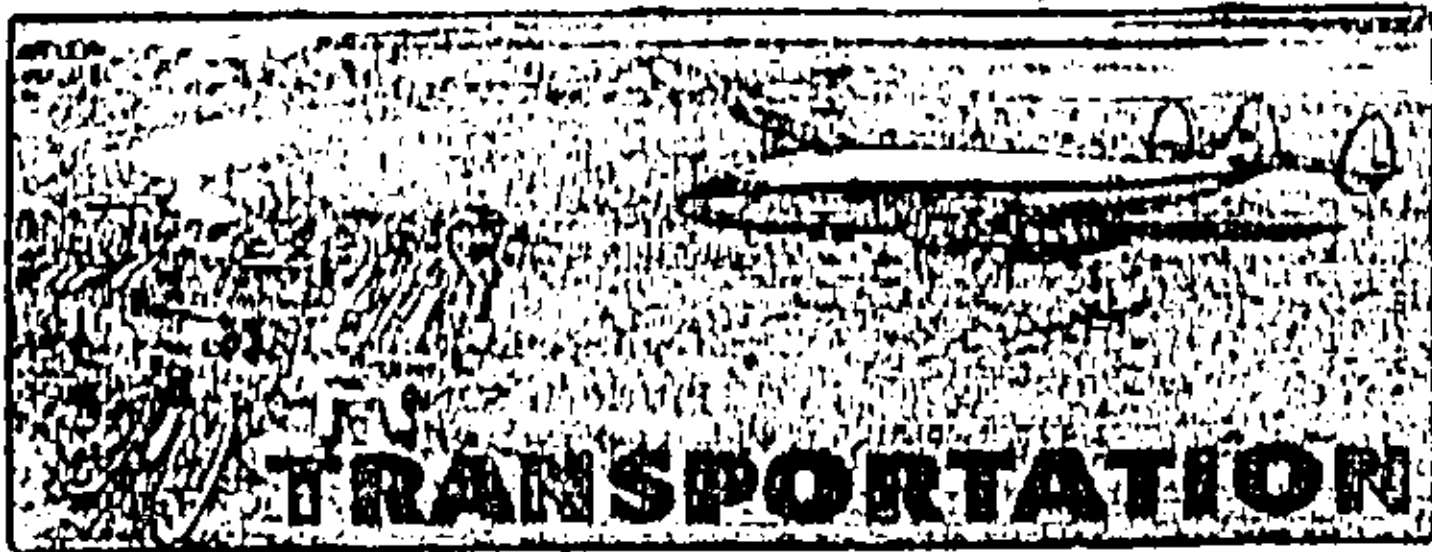
A first class display of hockey is assured and fans should not miss this game.











## Safety In Atomic Powered Ships

THE development of atomic-powered ships is not likely to produce any major addition to the hazards of life at sea, according to Sir John Cockcroft, member of the British Atomic Energy Authority.

He was speaking at a meeting of marine engineers at Newcastle. Sir John said that a ship such as the Swedish liner, Stockholm, and the American liner, the USS Enterprise, which is being converted to a nuclear-powered ship, would be further away from the coast than the direct impact of a collision.

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## Near Water Trawlers

AN order for two near-water trawlers has been received by Russell and Company Limited of Aberdeen. These vessels will be about 100 ft long and are of the new tank-tethered design with transom stern and are the result of close collaboration between builders and owners.

The propelling machinery consists of 500 bhp diesel engines to be supplied by the National Gas and Oil Engine Company Ltd. Both trawlers will be delivered to the owners, the Aberdeen Near-Water Trawlers Limited, early next year.

## Final Touches

THE 18,000 tons d.w. tanker Begulf Glory built for the Gulf Oil (Belgium) S.A. of Antwerp at the Harland and Wolff shipyard of the Belfast Shipbuilding Co. Ltd. has completed successful trials.

She attained her designed speed of 15½ knots and has returned to the ship for dry docking and final cleaning and painting before entering the owner's service.

# 4½m AMERICANS WILL BE JOB HUNTING

Washington, Dec. 10.

Government officials said today the recent improvement in unemployment is expected to end soon with the result that more than 4,500,000 Americans may be looking for work in mid-winter.

## Britain To Have New Tariffs

London, Dec. 11. International trading will be made easier when Britain's new custom and excise tariff, announced by Customs and Excise here today, comes into operation next January first.

The new tariff is based on the internationally agreed classification, known as the Brussels Nomenclature, and will be published here on December 18.

Of the 22 member countries of the Customs Co-operation Council at Brussels, Britain will be the fourth to adopt the Nomenclature. France, West Germany and Austria have already introduced tariffs based on this classification.

Other member countries of the Council will shortly be following suit and a number of other countries have changed or contemplate changing to the Brussels pattern tariffs.

"As this process of standardisation of tariffs proceeds, international trade will be increasingly facilitated," the Customs and Excise statement added.—Reuter.

## American Loan

Djakarta, Dec. 10. Mr. Howard P. Jones, American Ambassador to Indonesia, today said negotiations between the United States and Indonesia would be held soon for a loan to the latter, according to the Antara News Agency.

The loan amounted to \$100,000 for the rehabilitation of a railway line in south Sumatra, Antara said.—Reuter.

## COMMODITY PRICES

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# HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

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HSK Insurance	204	10	10,000
HSK Union	70	71	500
HSK Shipping	540	1000	5,700
HSK Dock, etc.	1170	12	100
HSK Hotel	2140	2150	500
HSK Land	2050	31	100
HSK Realty	130	140	1000
HSK Amalg.	1225	175	5000
HSK Sundry	240	2	100
HSK Utilities	2	1000	20,000
HSK Trans.	2	4250	20,100

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Yankee	104	105	100
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